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Ambassador to Court

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Announcement of Exam for Position Of Interviewer With the Maine State Unemployment Compensation Com.

JOHN VAN VAERENEWYCK DRAFTED BY AFL TO AID IN DETROIT CAMPAIGN

Test Compensation Case Decided in Favor of Danbury Hatter; Will **Apply to 400 Other Workers**

Harks Back to Court Action Which Resulted From Sto Work Last Spring—Decision Cives Contestant 10 Weeks' Compen-sation—Grand Total to 400 Employes Will Approximate \$40,000.

Industries Whose Officers Have Been Roy W. Howard, Whose Staff Includes Fair to Labor Have Prospered; While of Saint James Others Have Had Ups and Downs appointment of John G. Wi-

State Federation of Labor Official Urges Employes Working in Maine Unionized Mills to Dooperate With Management To the Fullest Ex-tent in Production of Manufactures Superior to Those Produced in So-called Open Shops or Non-Union Factories.

One of Under-Cover Chiefs of

Nation's Appeasement Clique

United States Chamber of Commerce Opposed to Anti-Strike Legislation

mmittee on Manufactures Issues Statement Expressing Belief Public Interest Will Be Best Served by Voluntary Cooperation Opposed to Denial of Fundamental Rights to "Our Citizens".

VALIDITY OF WAGE-HOUR ACT PAVES WAY FOR **ENACTMENT BY STATES**

Portland Central Labor Union Endorses Lease-Lend Measure

It condemned the invasion of Czecho-slovakia. Finland, Nerway, Denmark, Holland, Belgium and France, and the wholesale destruction of liberties of these people.

Lumber and Textile
Mfrs. Lose Out in
Court Decisions

Pres. Green Comments

Such Anti-Labor Columnists as Westbrook Pegler and John T. Flynn, Described as the "Master-Mind" of **Group Directing Strategy and Prop**aganda.

Creatly Concerned Over Important Role Played by Ernest Bevin in Churchill Covernment—Made Unsuccessful Attempt to Have Will-kie Oppose Lease-Lend Bill—Outcome of Antagorism to Labor Attributed to A. F. et L. swillingness to Cooperate With Covernment in Speeding Up Defénse/Program.

By PHILIP PEARL, in A. F. of L. Weekly News Service
We have long been puzzled about the bitter hostility of the
crippe-Howard newspapers toward the American Federation of Lor.
This newspaper chain is headed by Roy W. Howard. Its staff
cludes such anti-labor columnists as Westbrook Pegler and John

"Flynn. Now, at last, we are beginning to discover some inklings of the truth behind this mystery. The evidence comes from stories published in the last few days in other newspapers.

Under the heading, "ROY HOWARD BRANDED CHIEF OF APPEASERS", the Philadelphia Record publishes a dispatch from its Washington corresponders, Robert S. Allen, saying;

"Roy W. Howard, head of the Scripps-Howard newspaper chain, today was reported to be one of the leading under-over generals of the appeasment ching directing the sight segaint the lend-base armanest bitt."

After anning several other sileged leaders in this movement, the story continues:
"Howard was described as the 'master mind' of the group, di(Continued on 'Pape 5)

Bangor CLU Names Committee to Assist State Federation to Have Labor Relations Law Enacted

County Divisions of the company cel-chrated the safety record for the year 1940 with a shore dinner at Boone's Restaurant last Thursday.

Pressmen, Bookbinders Strike Against Rotary Co., in Ohio, Settled

100 Per Cent Safety Record for 1940 Observed by Employes of Light and Power Co./With Shore Dinner

Textile Workers in Sanford Mills Sign

Activities Among Maine State Trade Unions

40-Hour Week, Extra Holiday and **Vacations With Pay, Announced to** Eastern Corporation's Employes Portland Allied Ptg.

Ovster Supper and Pitch Contest Mark Observance of Annual Election Of Officers of Orono Local No. 18

Retiring Central Labor

Union Auxiliary Pres.

next meeting will be a Valenti ocial on February 17th.

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The United States Civil Service

Civil Service Exams

oysier supper and pitch contest ced the observance of the installa-of officers of Orono Local 18 of international Brotherhood of Pulp, lite and Papermill Workers held egion Hall, on Monday evening.

Announce Shift of Officials to New South Portland Ship Yard

Garment Workers Out Workers in Local Shops

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nouncement of

owledge and suffability, ra

Trades Council Elects Hyman Erlick Pres.

its meeting held Sunday, Febru-9th, the Portland Allied Printing des Council re-elected the entire of officers to serve for the com-year, as follows: resident, Hyman Eritek; vice-pres-t, Frank York; secretary-treasurer, ried P. Kilbride; label committee.

Electrical Wkrs. Plan Anniversary Celebra'n

is Presented Gift Conary and Hastings Elected for 3-Yr. Term

75 New Homes to Accommodate Wkrs. at New Shipyards

Portsmouth Navy Yd.

Commission announce open competitive examination for filling vacancies in the following poetitions in the Navy Tard, Portsmouth, N. H. 18,5 and N. Tard, Portsmouth, H. 18,5 and N. Tard, Portsmouth, H. 18,5 and N. Tard, N. Tard,

Recommends Reduction

of UCC Waiting Period From Two to One Wk. Fight Goes On Against Gantner & Mattern at California Plant

Extensive Barracks' Building At Forts in Portland Harbor

HORACE HOWE'S COLUMN

Local Union 233 International Broth-terhood of Electrical Workers contri-buted a substantial amount to the of Dinese fund for infantile yellins.

Paul P. Conroy, Jr., has return-work after an absence of two v-attling the effects of influenza.

Edward Bates is kept busy

Edwaro educing program.

Alexander F. Eagles, vie of Electrical Workers 587 legislative agent of the Mittion of Labor, has returne Queens Hospital.

Mrs. John J. Ridge of So

Martin J. Campbell says some of so-called training projects, as the apply to Machinists, are "screw that the students are not getting proper training to qualify them tradesmen.

Twenty-five Sign Application Blanks

Midding Construction Ladorer's and midding Construction Ladorer's United States (Texture 1) and the st

Officials of Industries

Passage of a State Labor Relations Act Important for Protection of **Workers in Intrastate Industries**

By HORACE E. HOWE, President, Portland Central Labor Union

Large Wage Gains for Electrical Workers Employed in Utilities

Apprentices Wanted in Govt. Printing Office; Must Be 17 Years Old

With Hod Carriers

of Labor Agreement

'And Now It's in Mother's Hat, Also!'

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will no doubt correct many of the
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where these are in operation a much
better understanding exists between
employers and employees.

social reform.

Overall Workers to Be Represented by AFL Rules Federal Wage-Hour Law is Valid

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Datied States Circuit Court of Appeals
stiting at Boston, held that he Federal
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super cane, are entitled to the benefit
of the Wage-Theor Law.

Selective Service Act Cannot Be Used on Defense Work Strikers

More Vacations With Pay Reported by Machinists' Officials

N. E. Council Reports Production Gains

Eyes Turned to Britain to Insure Sacrifices Shall Not Be in Vain

"Old Saint", Known by Paper Makers Throughout the U.S. and Canada, Was a "Man Among Men"

During His 50 Years As Paper Maker, Edward St. James, Known as "Old Saint" and Recently Deceased, Was Loved and Respected for His Good Nature and Willingness to Be of Service in Civing Young Men A Lift When Starting to Learn Rudiments of the Paper Making Trade.

Employers Prefer Hiring N. Y. A. Students Because They Have Faith In N. Y. Administration's Methods



N. E. Conference of Bakery Workers Re-Elects Girard as Pres.



PORTLAND GAS LIGHT CO.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN



February 12 marks the anniversary of Abraham Lincoln man whose rose from the humblest of native enviro one man wnose rose from the numbers of native environment to the highest office within the gift of an appreciative people. If the basic principle of a true democracy lacked any other proof of its eternal justification, lincoln's meteoric career amply confirms that truth. Lincoln's whole life was one general affirmation of the principle

Lincoln's whole life was one general attimation of the principle that Right Makes Might; that error is basically weak, and must perish of its own sheer futility. Snatched from life at the mountain summit of his great accomplishment—emancipation of the bondsman—he grows larger in historic stature with the passing of time. His scalled character and envisioning mind, gave leadership to the great masses of the plain people, towards whom his tender spirit instinctivals was over drawn.

And in these troubled days of international strife and tumult.

it is well to reflect on Lincoln's prophetic words:

"This government of the people, by the people, and for the
people, shall not perish from the earth!"

Call to Labor for Greater Interest in Federation's **Legislative Program**

Legislative Agent Requests Workers to Attend Hearings and Personal Contacts With Their Senators and Representatives— Is Work Ahead, and All Are Earnestly Urged to Cive Their V Hearted Dooperation.

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ACTIVITIES

iaims Miss Weinstock Encouraged CIO Officials to Carry on "Rule or Ruin" Poligy in Recent Strike of Weavers at Juilliard Mills in Providence-Cempany Had Seen Party to A. F. of L. Agreement For Two Years When CIO Attempted to Break Up Relations.

tions.
"RULE OR RUIN"
CIO POLICY
"The real issue."

In and Out of the News

New Haven Printers Victorious in Strikes Against Newspaper

SYLVIA ACCUSES C. I. O. AND Sgambato Secures Contracts in N. E. Textile Mills U.S. CONCILIATOR OF TRICKERY

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Of Course We've Got "Skunks" in The Labor Movement!

Just at this time, when enemies of organized Labor are "ganging up" and making determined efforts to have legislation enacted that would de-prive workers of their God-given rights, demands prive workers of their God-given rights, edmands more than ordinary activity on the part of workers, many of whom are not aware as to the effect which the present wave of anti-union propaganda is having on the trade union movement.

Always in times like the present when, through a well-defined system of prapaganda, it is possible to excite the imagination of hosts of completions emutions are greatly agitated when

possible to exert the imagination of the policy whose emotions are greatly agitated when riotism is concerned.

If one has carefully followed trends, which is

is most apparent are directed towards deprecating the importance of the organized Labor movement, he cannot help but notice that present activities of those who would wreek every vestige of benefits of those who would wreck every vestige of benefits derived by Labor through legislative action are actuated by other than honest and conscientious molives.

Let's go back half a dozen or more months, o Let's go back half a dozen or more months, or since Hitler began his work of destruction in Great Britain, and when there was great excitement over here to speed up production. It was then that Westbrook Pegler began his contemptible campaign against William Green and the American Federation of Labor by digging into the past of Labor officials and making it appear that Mr. Green condoned the wrongful acts of several offi-cials, over whom he has absolutely no control.

It will be recalled this was shortly followed by activities conducted by Representatives in Con gress toward abolishing the Wage-Hour Act, mod Labor Relations Act, and advocating the ifying the Labor Relatio

passage of no-strike laws.

All this was so accurately timed, and so well pre-arranged, that no person of average intellifence and unprejudiced toward the Labor movement can help but realize that "ganging-up" methods of the highest calibre were used to seare Labor into becoming docile, and to stand for anything and everything dealt out to them by a certain element among employers, who feared interference in their plans to make huge profits from the search of their plans of their employer. erials at the expense of their employes.

war materials at the expense of their employes.

That there is some justification for statements to the effect that there are "skunks" in the Labor movement, is undisputable. Isn't it to be expected that among five or more millions of workers in the ranks of Labor, there will be found some who "horned in" and used the Labor movement for their own selfish purposes? Tell us, please, if this does not also prevail in other walks of life—the effect, the professions bankers and financiers, in the contract of th clergy, the professions, bankers and financiers, in offi igls, and not least among manufactur

clergy, the professions, bankers and financiers, insurance officials, and not least among manufacturers are included heads of large corporations who apared io means or money to bring about the killing and maining of employes who dared to organize and dehand better working conditions.

It is most gratifying, however, that notwithstanding this well-defined program intended to deprecate the importance, prestige and its aims, objects and principles, the American Federation of Labor is making the greatest gfains in membership, and increasing its prestige more than at any other time in its 60 years of existence.

By no means is this the first titile Labor has had to overcome giant obstacles placed in its path by enemies. One has but to recall the devastating methods of the I. W. W., which organization was similar in purport to the present ClOt the vicious campaigns led, by the Van Cleaves, the Posts, the Drews and others while prominently identified with the National Manufacturers' Association; the on-slaughts against Labor futuring the first World War when Congress was arged to mobility then existing when Congress was urged to modify then existing when Congress was arged to mounty then exactly labor laws; the nefarious and lying statements of Detective William J. Burns, who publicly accused the late Samuel Gogners of aiding to free the McNamara brothers while knowing of their guilt.

There were many other instances which threat-

great harm to the Labor movement, but not-standing all this, the A. F. of L., as at pres-

ent, continued to progress and by this means con-vinced its adversaries regarding its stability, con-structiveness and unquestioned value to the great masses of working people.

Why Labor Will Oppose Labor Day Change

Every once in a while, son Every once in a while, someone pops up with ggestion for changing the day on which Labor a suggestion for changing the day on which capa-Day is observed. Last year, it was a lawyer in Biddeford, Maine, who suggested Labor Day be observed on the second Monday in September in-stead of the first Monday, using as a reason this would prove profitable to proprietors of Maine's orts, whose business comes to a stand

summer resorts, whose business comes to a stand-still after Labor Day.

And now comes another suggestion—this time from an advertising man of Atlantic City, who, it is said, has appealed, to President Roosevelt to goclaim Labor Day a week later this year.

Receism Labor Day a week nater may year.

It is evident that, in making this appeal to the President the Atlantic City man did not take into account what part Labor would play in opposition to making such a change. In the first place, it is a foregone conclusion that the President would not make this more without first sounding the feelnor make this more without first sounding the reci-ings of leaders of Labor, and having received a negative answer, would forget all about the pro-posed change. Secondly, as Labor Day was es-tablished by Act of Congress and by the Legisla-tures of the 48 States, not only would-a change quire action by Congress but by the Legislature-

Henre our belief that the desire expre Hence, our belief that the desire expressed with man from Atlantic City for changing the present law will not get very far. As expressed by this newspaper last year, Labor will oppose any move to effect such a change. This was demonstrated on several occasions when similar attempts were made, and when strong objections were registe in all parts of the country.

Some other means must be taken to induce people to remain at the beach resorts longer, if the weather is such as to permit them to do so Labor is determined that it will fight any attempt change Labor Day from its present legal status

"Talking Out", Rather Than "Walking Out"

"Walking Out"

A new phrase was coined during the week and which, if put into practise, will assure good progress for the defehse program, at least so far as production by worker-8 concerned.

Robert P. Patterben, assistant secretary of war, in an address to delegates of the Chicago Federation of Labor a few days ago, assertigh that the nation-tannot afford the loss of one day's production at any of the plants engaged in turning out military essentials, and calling for cooperation by both labor and industry, strongly urged the adoption of a "talking out", rather than a "walking out" policy in the settlement of future industrial disputes. rial disputes.

This is just what A. F. of L. unions have bee advocating, as was demonstrated during the past few weeks, when the Building and Metal Trade-Departments of the American Federation of Labo-went definitely on record as doing everything in their power to avoid strikes on defense work.

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President Green of the Å. F. of L. j John P.
Coyne, president of the Building Trades Department, and John P. Frey, head of the Metal Trades
Department, speaking for their respective organizations, claim there is no necessity for strikes pro-

izajione, elaim there is no necessity, for strikes pro-duing, of course, employers are willing to discuss grievances and conditions collectively, as provided by the National Labor Relations Act.

Not only when the nation is in need of coperation, at it is today, is collective action deem ed necessary to maintain uninterrupted produc-tion, but during peace-time as well, and the quick are employers can be made to realize this, the quick r will industry have become certain of avoiding interruption of production through long and costl

Who's to Blame for Lack of Speed in Defense Program?

In Detense Frogram?

Sanford D. Thompson, who served as a lieutenant colonel in the ordunace department during the World War, and is now president of the Thompson and Lichtner Company, has this to say in "Advanced Management", a quarterly which circulates among industrial engineers and other directors of big industrial concerns:
"Today the need for speed in armament production is even more urgent than in the first World War, yet-our progress this vear has been slower.

War, yet-our progress this year has been slowe than in 1917.

"Rapid placing of orders, of course sary. But this is only the beginning of progress Rapid production of goods after orders are placed

Rapid production of goods after orders are placed is the key to progress.

"The cause of failures in the last war was traced back to management—management in pri-vate industry; management of the railroads; man-agement of government. Concentration on the solution of management problems is the need to This is a bold statement, but it is based o day. In a is a book statement, but the source experience in both industry and war. Total productivity of war material can be increased at least 20 per cent by raising the mahagement methods it most of the plants to the standard of the best plants. This means the availability for more production of one-sixth of the men employed.

Mr. Thompson supplies many examples of how American industry failed Uncle Sam during the first World War. One illustration will suffice: On January 10, 1918, plant managers assured

the government that 532 of the 75 millimeter guns would be ready by April. On that dates only 212, less than half, were anywhere near completion an completely finished.

only 83 were completely huished.
"In fact," says Mr. Thompson, "out of orders or 10,000 75-millimeter guns, only 143 were shiped before the armistice in November. Similar intercepancies between-promises and performance occurred in almost all items of material."

Mr. Thompson is not a trade unionist and "Advanced Management" is certainly not a "radical" publication. Neither can be suspected of a desire to give industrialists "the worst of it". In fact, the very character of the witness makes this stinging indictment of management all the more

pressive.
In commenting on the above, "Labor", official wspapers of the Railway Brotherhoods, said as follow

"With all the skill and strength it po organized Labor is backing the defense program. Surely, it has a right to insist that before, translated to surrender any of the gains it has hade through long years of struggle and suffering, at least two things should be done:

"Management should be made as efficient as Mr. Thompson suggests, and every idle man and woman should be put to work.

"Such a program will not only vive and the structure of the struc

"Such a program will not only give our ernment all the armament it needs, but it will it it possible to sustain and even materially adv the standard of living of the American people.

Home Ownership

entive to good citizenship, as well as a sound it stment medium for savings, is being increasing ized and accepted.

ownership has social implication

Home ownership has social implications pe fundamental than mere stimulation of industr or financial activity. The thought that a nation one owners is free and democratic bears repeang, particularly in these times.

ing, particularly in those times. Extension of home ownership today by private enterprise, with aid and encouragement from the Government, is a worthy cause and a nonable of tribution to the stability of the Nation.

Essentially, financing is the major problem of families in lower-income brackets who contemplate.

uilding homes. Under today's method of finan ounding notices. Concer today is nection of many ing a small down payment and one long-term mort gage loan may finance the cost of a home. Unde the FHA plan-the down payment is as small as te-per cent. Mouthly payments not only suit the in dividual family's income, but they are fitted t the family's budget, exactly like rent.

When the home has been built or bought and

when the home has been built or bought an that family begins repaying its loan, it knows ev-actly what the ordinary monthly payments wi amount to. Principal reduction, taxes, mortgag and hazard instrance, and interest on the loan ar-all included in the single payment.

A "Stand-Up" Strike

Entployers have been quick to eastigate striffer the use of the drastic sit-down strike. B ers for the use of the drastic su-down strike. In recently a new phrase in the language of collective bargaining was added—the "stand-up strike"—by H. H. Broach, business representative of Ny-Vork City boosal 3, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, who used the colorful phras o characterize a recalcitrant employer who pr eds to shide by the National Labor Relations but in reality refuses to come to any working

This expression was used to describe the ta Leviton Manufacturing Company which, when compelled to bargain collectively

which, when compelled to bargain concerviery with the union simply went through the motions, thus making a farce of the Wagner Act.

"Dilatory tactics are reprehensible whether in dulged in by labor or management," Mr. Broach said. "When an employer carries out such activi-

said. "When an employer carries out such actus its it should be called a stand-up strike." In the case of the Leviton workers, 1,700 Nev 70rk strikers are being stood up by Mr. Levito for fair wages, decent working conditions and re-resentation by "agenuine A. F. of L. union." The phrase "stand-up strike" seems an ap

of the tactics of a stalling employer an y well earn a permanent place in the language

Showing the Way

The Navy Department is giving the answer of the charge that the 40-hour week, set under the air Labor Standards Act, is retarding defense

oduction at Navy Yards throughout th United States is being stepped up by placing then on a 24-hour, three-shift schedule, with employed working 48 hours weekly. Overtime is being pale for the eight hours over the standard week.

Notable examples of the program, Secretary of the Navy Knox said, is the Washington Navy Yard, where production has been trebled since las July Private industry, engaged on d

can also operate on three shifts, as some industri-alists pointed out months ago. A number are al-ready doing this. The plan effectually disposes of the plaint that the 40-hour week holds up produc-

Push Organization Now!

More than ever before, 1941 will be a tir organization of new unions and for the build

ng up of old ones.

Today labor has the free opportunity to or-

Perhaps even more important than that labor can take part in the new control of industry only if it is organized.

The lone and lonesome worker is out of the

ne sone and ionesome worker is out of the picture. This is the great day of organization we are entering a period of industrial control through organization, greater than what has gon

If you are not in a union, you are merely behind the parade. You are out of it. You are on the sidelines, merely an onlooker.

No-Strike Advocates Answered

From time to time, for half a century or more Form time to time, for half a century or mote, for bidding of strikes by law has been urged by re-uctionary forces. The scheme has never gottein anywhere and never will, except under a dictator-al form of government. But the no-strike advo-ates are persistent and never weary of boosting their plan. Now they think the national defense program offers a favorable opportunity to promete strike, compulsory arbitration legislation and

no-strike, compulsory arbitration legislation and they are in full cry again. A crushing answer to their propaganda is giv-er by the New York State Mediation Board, in a preface to its annual report. In brief, the board champions voluntary action for solving industrial disputes and says collective bargaining, "incorp rating adequate adjustment machinery, provides be most adequate method yet devised" for pro-

rating adequate method yet devised" for pro-noting industrial peace.

The board's conclusion is based on experience a New York, the nation's largest industrial state It should furnish a conclusive answer to the cr or anti-strike legislation.

Have the Miners Soured on Lewis?

"Under this heading, PM, the progressive New York City tabloid, publishes a story by its Wish-ington correspondent, which says that thousands of members of the United Mine Workers of Am-erica have refused to forgive John L. Lewis for g out on Roosevelt

oth Crawford, who once was president of Kenneth Crayford, who once was presignt the CIO Newspaper Guild but has since learned few lessons about Communist skullduggery th have disillusioned him to some extent, declar that the results of the UMW election "which ha not been made public and probably never will be smount to a repudiation of the union president."

According to persons in a position to know Mr. Crawford, fully half the union's mem bers refrained from voting in the election. Lewis was unopposed, their refusal to vote did not affect the result but must have thrown a scare into

"God Is My Partner," Says Anti-Union Boss

Here's a story about a machinery manufactur-er out in Peoria, Tll., who won quite a bit of news-paper notoriety because he claimed "God is chair-man of the board" of his firm. This alleged association is certainly not very complimentary to God because testimony at a recent NLRB hearing showed that the manufacturer exploited his workforced them into a company union, hired la-pies to shadow them and fired those who dar-join bona fide unions. The employer's name s R. G. Le Tourneau.

"Le Tourneau has a long background of anti-"Le Tourneau has a long background of anti-unionism," said Charles J. McGowan, president of the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, which filed charges against the firm. "This part-nership-with God business may the all right but we think Le Tourneau should pay decent wages to his They get starvation wages now and we can't

Employer Offers Sage Advice

Some employers see the light. 'Outstanding mong these is Charles E. Wilson, who climbed rom office boy to president of the General Elec-

tric Company.

In an address before the American Institute
of Electrical Engineers, meeting in Philadelphia,
Mr. Wilson said the system of private enterprise
can contribute toward its own survival by giving the American people more economic freedom and ore security than has yet been advocated by the political parties.

He advocated a program including 100 pe ent employment, rural electrification, incres ocial security, a national health program for the inderprivileged and a Government program of a Government program of orks to provide jobs when in bermanent public works to provide jobs when in istry fails to do so."

Labor has long advocated the same program

Publishers Want Child Labor

From California comes news that a group ealthy, holier-than-thou ultra-conservative news aper owners have gotten behind a vicious bill to ipe out the State's present law curbing exploits

The present law is weak enough and has been cribed by the National Child Labor Committee one of the poorest in the country. It permits s as young as ten years to sell newspapers on

But these newspaper publishers, who oass by an opportunity to smear organized Labor, even want that slender protection for minors weak-ened. Their bill would climinate the work permit requirement and thus open the way for youngsters six or seven to roam the streets at all hours the day and night hawking newspapers. Needless to say, labor will fight this bill.

AMERICA'S MAJOR BATTLE

By DR. CHARLES STELZLE

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Man is a spiring animal. He is at
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"Getting Ahead Fast," **Says Head of National Defense Program**

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Fair Wage for Women Workers Too Much Stress Is Laid on Seen Essential Measure in Shortcomings of Labor **National Defense Program**

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A. F. of L. Distillery Workers Defeat CIO in NLRB Election

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To Give American Committee to Aid **Great Britain Their Full Support**

First Break in Quarry Workers in Leaving CIO to Return to A. F. of L. Reported by St. Louis Labor Paper

Speed and Efficiency Mark Work Of National Labor Relations Board Since Dr. Millis Assumed Office

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U. S. Court's Refusal to Review Auto Dealers' Petition in N.L.R.B. Decision Victory for Auto Union

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Vermont Federation Looks With Confidence on Enactment of Their Legislative Proposals

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Connecticut Federation of Labor Now

Primarily Interested in Passage of A State Labor Relations Act

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Agriculture, Labor, Industry and **Business to Assure Success**

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Bldg. Trades Unions Adopt No-Strike Policy on Work For Nat'l Defense Program

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Low-Cost Housing Construction Scheduled for Big Boom Period

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FLOOR PLAN

Scripps-Howard Newspaper Chain

(Continued from Page 1)—
recting strategy and propaganda by frequent long-distange telephoncalls from his Manhattan office."
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if the way continues it will lead to 'socialism' in Britain and the Unit
of States. He is said to be greatly agitated by the important role
tha labor leaders are playing in the Churchill government."
The Evidence Accumulates
The day after this story was published, the New York Post published disclosures that Roy W. Howard had attempted unsuccessfully
to bring pressure on Wendell Wilklet to come out in opposition to
the lend-lease bill. This story said:
"There was an open row in which the publisher threatened to

reak Willkie politically if he gave his approval to the Administra

tion bill."

"The messpaperman writing this story attempted to obtain a statement or explanation from Howard. "Through a secretary," he reported, "Howard sent word he would make no comment." From a third source, we get another significant bit of evidence, Kenneth G. Crawford, Washington correspondent for the New York tabloid PM, published this statement in a dispatch on "Anuary 29: "Mr. Lewis (John L. Lewis) has recently been conflued by illues to his home in Alexandria, Va., and is planning a Florida vacation to recaperate. Some of his friends, including Roy W. Howard, the publisher, have been trying to persuade Mr. Lewis to make a statement against the Aid-to-Britain bill, but he has refused to get into the confirences." into the controversy.

The Inevitable Conclusions

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Now let us put all this evidence together and see what it adds up to. First, we have the unquestioned fact that Mr. Howard is an enemy of the American Federation of Labor, as shown by the vicious editorial statements in his newspapers and the expressions of his columnists, Messrs, Pegler and Flynn. Second, we have the statement that Mr. Howard is a "friend" of John L. Lewis. Third, we have the disclosure that Mr. Howard is a the "master mind" of the Appearance of th

the disclosure that Mr. Howard is the "master mind" of the appears in this country, undenied by him, and, finally, we have the information that Mr. Howard is "greatly agitated" by the important role labor backer are playing in the British government.

On the basis of this evidence, isn't it a justifiable conclusion that Mr. Howardles emity toward the American Federation of Labor is caused by the patriotic policies of the American Federation of Labor. ts support of the lend-lease bill, its advocacy of an invincible de

is support of the lend-lease bill, its advocacy of an invincible de-cribe program, and its opposition to appeasement? Ini't it equally likely that Mr. Howard's friendship for John A. Lewis is caused by the fact that the ClO has never officially en-orsed the policy of aid-to-Britani and, in fact, has done everything ossible to oppose and embarrass the defense program? Finally, sin't it possible that Mr. Howard is conducting an un-estfained and vituperative campaign against the American Feder-tion of Labor because he is getting "greatly agitated" over the increasingly important role American Federation of Labor leaders may play in our own government? We leave the answers to these questions to the considered judg-ment of the members of the American Federation of Labor and we sek them to bear these facts in mind in appelsing the veractive of any

sk them to bear these facts in mind in apprecising the veracity of any statements on labor appearing in the Scripps-Howard newspapers.

tions in Portland and other Maine eties, and is achieving good results.

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Lumber and Textile

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